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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to their duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicants hereby bring to the examiner's attention information that may be material to the examination of the above-identified application. Therefore, in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and §1.98, applicants enclose a completed Form PTO-1449 identifying the possibly pertinent information, and a copy of the information.

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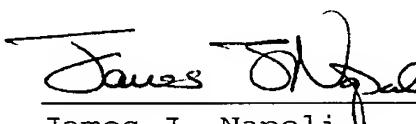
merits in the above-identified application. This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, however, is filed before the mailing date of a final action and before the mailing date of a notice of allowance. Therefore, under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c), this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement shall be considered by the Patent Office because it is accompanied by the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee which may be required during the pendency of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 or 37 C.F.R. 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 13-2855. A duplicate copy of this Transmittal is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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